

Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center. The header includes the site name "OPPOSING VIEWPOINTS IN CONTEXT" and navigation tabs: "All", "Viewpoints", "Images", "Reference", "News", "More". A search bar is located to the right of the tabs. Below the header is a main navigation bar with "Home", "Issues", "Maps", and "Resources". The "Issues" tab is highlighted. A large banner image shows a protest with the text "OBAMA: THIS IS YOUR CRUDE AWAKENING". Below the banner are several topic categories with "View All" links: Business and Economics, Energy and Environmentalism, Family Issues, Health and Medicine, Law and Politics, and Science, Technology and Ethics. Each category has a list of related topics. On the right side, there is a "Basic Search" section with two steps: "Step 1: Enter topic" and "Step 2: Click 'search' to see results from all source types". Below this is an "OR" section with two steps: "1: Enter topic" and "2: Click on a specific source type tab above". Annotations with arrows point to the "Issues" tab, the "Viewpoints" tab, and the "Basic Search" section.

Click "Issues" for an A-Z list or choose one below.

Source Type Tabs

Basic Search:
Step 1: Enter topic
Step 2: Click "search" to see results from all source types

OR

1: Enter topic
2: Click on a specific source type tab above

Access: On campus access; off-campus access via UA Proxy Server (with UAnet ID and Password). This database is not accessible via OhioLINK Remote Authentication.

Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center is a full-text resource covering current social issues. It brings together all the information needed to understand an issue: pro and con viewpoint articles, reference articles to provide context, magazines, academic journals, newspapers, primary sources, government and organizational statistics, multimedia, and links to hand-selected web sites.

To see a complete A-Z listing of topics indexed in Opposing Viewpoints, click on *Issues* at the top left. To search for a specific topic, choose from the basic or advanced search feature at the top right. Basic search is described above. Advanced search is described on page 2 of this handout.

Documents are grouped by data type into the following tabs: Viewpoints, Reference, Magazines, Academic Journals, News, Primary Sources, Statistics, Multimedia, and Websites. Clicking on the labeled data type tabs above allows you to choose the type of document you wish to see.

Advanced Search Page

The screenshot shows the 'Advanced Search' interface. At the top, the title 'Advanced Search' is displayed. Below it, the 'Find' section contains a search bar with 'cloning' and 'human' entered, separated by a dropdown arrow pointing to 'And'. To the right of the search bar is a dropdown menu for selecting search fields, with 'Keyword' selected. A callout box points to this dropdown, stating: 'Field searching is available by clicking the arrow in the drop down box.' Another callout box points to the 'And' dropdown, stating: 'Boolean operators (AND/OR/NOT) are available in the drop down box.' A third callout box points to the search bar, stating: 'Tip! Add multiple rows to focus your search.' Below the search bar, the 'Limit To' section has two checkboxes: 'Full Text Documents' and 'Peer Reviewed Journals'. The 'Limit By' section includes a 'Publication Date' range from 'January 1 1980' to 'October 16 2010'. Below this is a 'Document Type' section with a list of document types (Abstract, Advertisement, Aerial photograph, Agency overview, Analyst report, Announcement, Article, Audio file, Audiobook review, Audiovisual review) and an 'Add »' button. At the bottom, the 'Content Type' section has checkboxes for 'Academic Journals', 'Magazines', 'Reference', 'Viewpoints', 'Audio', 'News', 'Statistics', 'Websites', 'Images', 'Primary Sources', and 'Videos'.

Advanced Search

With Advanced Search, you can search by keyword, document title, publication title, document author, subject, entire document, person name, place name, named work, company name, publisher name, and ISSN. To see all of these fields, click on the drop down box as shown above. To focus your search, click on *Add Row* to add additional search terms.

Boolean Operators: Opposing Viewpoints uses: AND, OR, NOT

AND: Finds records that contain both words, although not necessarily in the same sentence or in the given order. AND ties the two concepts together and provides a more narrow search than just a single word alone.

OR: Finds records that contain either word or both words. Use OR for synonymous or related terms; this broadens the search.

NOT: Finds records that contain the first word and that do not contain the second word.

Opposing Viewpoints supports many additional limiters such as **Full Text**, **Peer-Reviewed Documents**, **Date**, **Document Type**, and **Content Type** which are available on the Advanced Search Page. Selecting these limiters will help you generate focused results and retrieve the documents that best meet your research need.

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